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FOR: PRECISE POSITIONING ACTUATOR FOR HEAD ELEMENT, HEAD GIMBAL

ASSEMBLY WITH THE ACTUATOR, DISK DRIVE APPARATUS WITH THE HEAD GIMBAL ASSEMBLY AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF HEAD

GIMBAL ASSEMBLY

REQUEST FOR STATUS

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Sir:

The undersigned attorney requests the status of the above-identified application.

The application was filed on **November 13, 2003** in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and to date no Office Action has been received.

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